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RATS

One of the greatest plagues affecting the community at large is the plague of rats. The old black rat has almost disappeared, but in his place has come a larger and stronger animal of the gray species.

The damage done annually by these rodents runs into many millions. There has been no well directed, concentrated, united, effort on the part of the public to rid itself of this nuisance. It is true that individuals from time to time make isolated, sporadic efforts to extinguish the pest from their homes and barns, but the effort is something like firing a pop gun with the expectation of its being heard all over the United States. The rat is something of a sagacious animal and scents danger very readily, and avoids it with a discretion worthy of a more intellectual person. When he sees the signs of danger, he merely moves his headquarters to the adjoining premises; and thus they go from place to place. To avoid all this, it is only necessary for a day to be appointed in which the whole community will work in unison and drive "Mr. Rat" from our midst.

These animals multiply with astonishing rapidity, and a single rat killing day for a year would be unavailing, but if "Rat Day" was observed once or twice a month, as for that matter, throughout the United States, the pest could be exterminated in a short period of time.

Experts should be consulted and a powerful poison should be prepared that the rat will eat. This is merely a suggestion and hundreds of other ways could be prepared to destroy the rat, or at least prevent its ravages. The amount of damage done throughout the United States has been variously estimated at billions of dollars a year. Indeed, one who has made a study of the matter, says that there are 500,000,000 rats in this country, and that the damages done by them is \$3,710,000,000 annually.

If the Mayor of the city will appoint a rat killing or rat poisoning day and urge all the citizens to observe it with a united, concentrated effort, the city would be practically rid of the pest in a short time.

The state of Indiana is the only state that has dealt with the subject by legislative enactment. This state has provided that a text book or chart written by Dr. Hurty, showing how the animal may be scientifically destroyed, shall be studied in all the schools.

NOT HERE

An educational campaign is begun in London advocating domestic service for educated women. Servant troubles are largely ascribed to the ignorance of mistresses.

It is said that rabbits are more plentiful in Garrard county than for many years, according to the reports of the Lancaster Record. Garrard county is very fortunate in being so well supplied with Brer Rabbit and his family, at a time

when all kinds of meat are selling at such high prices.

The turkey crop is reported short, very short. But what does it matter? None but the bloated bond holders can even think of turkey.

Circuit Judgeship

From all that can be learned from unauthoritative sources Judge J. M. Benton will likely be an entry in the gubernatorial derby. This has left open for discussion the probable candidates for the Circuit Judgeship in this district and that subject is being freely discussed in this city. Jessamine county's own son, who has served the district so well as Commonwealth's Attorney appears to be the logical candidate, and deserves the elevation to the Judgeship. We have also heard Grant E. Lilly, of Richmond, spoken of as a probable starter. Many voters say that his conversion to Democratic faith is too recent for his claims to be seriously considered. This should not stand in his way. If all conversions were to be judged in the same way, how many would reach the Golden Gates? Mr. Lilly is one of Richmond's leading practitioners, and one of the best read attorneys in the state.—Nicholasville Argonaut.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to our friends and especially the Argonaut, for their and its kindly expressions of interest in us.

We are not a politician and ask no reward for our political faith. We vote the democratic ticket because we believe it is right.

The office of Circuit Judge is purely non-political and should not be turned over to any one on the ground that it would be administered from a political standpoint. The Bench must be made non-partisan.

We note, with pleasure, that Judge Benton is slyly looking at the gubernatorial Chair and many of his admirers over here will be glad to help push him along.

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But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow, this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will note nor long, long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Newspaper Sold

A deal was closed last Monday for the sale of the Lexington Daily Leader, established twenty-five years ago by Samuel Judson Roberts and owned since his death by his widow, Mrs. Anna Trout Roberts, to a stock company of ten Lexington men headed by former Representative John G. Stoll, president of the Lexington Waterworks company. The new purchasers will take over the property January 1. It is understood that the same office force will continue to operate the paper. The paper was purchased as a business investment. It is understood that the purchase price was \$115,000.

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Mr. Baker Walker, of Nicholasville, has been visiting his sister Mrs. James Burnside, of this city.

Mr. Geo. Snyder came over Saturday to spend Sunday with his wife and children who are the guests of Mrs. Dan Chenault.

Miss Mason, of Louisville, has been the guest of Miss Callie Shackelford, the past week.

Mrs. E. T. Burnam returned to Cincinnati on Monday after a short visit to relatives in this city.

Mr. Chas. Smith has been the guest of friends in the city.

Mrs. Kate Rose Wiggins will leave for Winchester Wednesday, to visit her son Don C. Wiggins. While in Winchester she will give a reading, selecting some poems from her book Rose Leaves which is nearing completion and will soon be put on sale.

Miss Elizabeth Robertson, from Louisville, and Mrs. Ben Mathews, of Shelbyville, have returned home after a week's visit to Mrs. Zaring.

Mr. and Mrs. David Chenault Fox came over Monday to attend the funeral of Mr.

Cyrus Fox, and are the guest of Mrs. J. M. Poyntz at the Glyndon.

Editor John W. Walker, of the Irvine Sun, was a visitor in our city last Friday and Saturday.

Miss Ollie Baldwin has been the week end guest of Miss Helen Bennett.

Miss Valonia Putman has been the guest of Miss Jane D. Stockton at her home on Lancaster Ave.

Dr. and Mrs. Scott have returned to their home in Jelico, Tenn., after having been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barnes.

Mrs. Ashby Jones, of Atlanta, Ga., is the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turner.

Mr. Hume Wagers left last week for Texas accompanied by Mr. Dudley who has been here on a visit to his mother and sister.

Mr. Hart Perry has returned to Louisville after coming home for his sister's wedding in this city the past week.

Miss Hester Covington, of Lexington, spent the week end with her parents in this city.

Mrs. Jake Collins has returned from Winchester, where she attended the funeral of Miss Margaret McCord.

Mrs. Joe Chenault had as her guest Sunday, Miss Della Tindler of Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Hamilton, of Estill county, have been the guests of their daughter Mrs. Harry Scrivener.

Mrs. Beecham Lackey, who formerly lived in this city, came over to the Dedication Sunday.

Mr. Emmet Miller and Mr. S. S. Kelley, of Lexington, spent the week end with Mr. A. D. and C. D. Miller, at their home near town.

Miss Rena Parks, of Winchester, has returned home after a pleasant visit to Miss Stella Norris of this city.

Miss Lelia Harris, who was formerly a teacher at the Caldwell High School was one of the guests at the dedication Sunday.

Drs. C. H. Vaught, Murison Dunn, H. C. Jasper and Vardy Taylor, attended the Southern Medical Association in Lexington last week.

Mr. Walker Stewart has joined his wife at the home of her parents, Hon. and Mrs. C. L. Searcy, at Waco.

Mrs. Mary Roark, of the Normal School was one of the guests of honor at a luncheon on Monday given by Dean Hamilton, of State University, and Dean Meyers, of Transylvania University, Lexington.

Hon. J. Tevis Cobb, who has been quite ill is much improved.

The Kentucky Club of Randolph Macon College has recently organized with an enrollment of 25 members. Miss Russell Stouffer, of this city, is the advertising editor of the "Helianthus".

Mesdames H. B. Hanger and D. M. Chenault motored to Winchester Thursday to attend the reception given by Mrs. Verner Mitchell.

Miss Daisy Moore Porter has been the guest of Miss Eleanor Hagan.

Miss Nora Soper has returned from Mudlavia Springs after a sojourn of five weeks. She had as her guest for the dedication Mr. and Mrs. Louis Soper of Danville.

Messrs. Alex and Joe Salmon who have been visiting the Misses Jones of this city, returned to their home in Coalville, Utah.

Father Yahner, of the St. Mark Catholic church of this city, announced to his congregation on Sunday last, his withdrawal from Kentucky by the Pennsylvania Diocese. His departure is much regretted by the members of his congregation, and the people at large among whom he has made many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Turley had as their guests for the dedication, Mr. and Mrs. John Baughman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. John Benton, Mr. Thomas Benton, Mrs. R. S. Spears, and Mr. Ben Arnett, Mrs. Frank Taylor, Mrs. Mary Dean and Rev. H. C. Garrison, of Danville.

Mr. Green Clay Walker, of Lancaster, was a visitor in our city last Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Polly Traylor is visiting friends in Lincoln county.

Mrs. L. J. Tipton, of this city has been the guest of Lancaster friends.

Miss Nancy Myers was the guest of Berea friends last week.

Miss Bertha King, who is a student at the Richmond State Normal School, came home Friday for a visit of several days.—Berea Citizen.

Miss Nettie Scrivener, of this city has been the guest of her parents at Berea.

A handsome photo of little Z. T. Rice Jr. of Richmond appeared in Saturday's Louisville Times.

Mrs. William Embury and Mrs. William Shanks, of Stanford, were the guests of Mrs. T. E. Baldwin for the dedication.

Mrs. Kunkle, of this city, has been the guest of relatives in Burgin, for the past week.

Dr. H. R. Gibson is at home after attending the Congress of American Surgeons in Chicago.

Mrs. Francis Van Meter, of Lexington, has been the guest of Mrs. H. B. Hanger. Rev. M. V. Hall, of Maysville, has been the guest of his son-in-law, Mr. Dan H. Breck.

Mr. Willis Kennedy who has been in the employ of the L. & N. Railroad at Paris, Ky., will return to this city and be associ-

ated in business in the grocery with his brother Mr. Wearen Kennedy. These two young men stand high in the community, and deserve the patronage of our citizens.

Mr. S. G. Banks has returned to his home in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. A. L. Collins' of Flemming is visiting her brother Dr. Scudder of this city.

Mr. M. E. Jones of Lawrenceburg is visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. R. T. Durrett, of Louisville, spent the week end with friends in this city.

Mrs. Jephtha Haggard, of Winchester, was the guest of relatives here last week.

Mrs. Lizzie Brock, of this city has been the guest of Clark county relatives.

Mesdames Mary B. Clay, Hattie Buchanan, Ella and Katie Park and James Bennett attended the Equal Suffrage meeting in Louisville.

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